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1. General

- a. At the beginning of February, part of the garrison was temporarily transferred to the area of Potsdam. These troops were supposed to remain on alert in the Berlin area for the duration of the Foreign Ministers' Conference, in view of fear that a second "17th June" might get under way.
- b. The wall which separated the Infanterie Kaserne and the Flak Kaserne has been removed, and the two barracks are no longer separated. In this way a single large parade ground has been created; vehicles use the entrance of the Flak Kaserne and foot traffic uses the entrance into the Infanterie Kaserne.

2. Artillerie Kaserne

- a. Garrison: 300 officers and 3000 EM
- b. Personnel: Troops wore winter uniform with black/red shoulderboards with artillery insignia, and 10% of the officers wore silver shoulderboards.
- c. Weapons & Equipment:
 - (I)
 - 30 x 20.3 cm M.31 guns
 - 8 x 15.2 cm M.43 field guns
 - 15 x 12.2 cm guns
 - 4 x 7.6 cm M.41 field guns
 - (II)
 - The following is a minimum estimate:
 - 196 prime movers, types S.65 and S.80
 - 120 trucks, types ZIS-5, ZIS-150, ZIS-151 and GAZ.63
 - 30 tank trucks, each of 3,200 liter capacity

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e. Training:

8 February At 0800 hours a column of 6 x 20.3 cm guns moved in the direction of Rathenow, and returned at 1500 hours.

9 February A column carried out exactly the same movement as on 8 February

10 February

11 February

12 February

Driving training was carried out daily on the roads in the town.

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Driver training on prime movers was carried out daily in the barracks area.

3. Flak Kaserne

- a. Garrison: 200 officers and 2000 EM
- b. Personnel: All troops wore artillery insignia except for 600 to 800 who wore red/black shoulderboards. Some of the officers wore fur caps with gold or silver crosses on the top.
- c. Weapons & Equipment:
- (I) 28 x 10 cm anti-tank guns (minimum estimate)
30 x 5.7 cm M.41 anti-tank guns
- (II) The minimum number of vehicles was estimated to be 150 trucks of types: ZIS-5, ZIS-151 and GAZ-65.

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e. Activity:

6 February

Between 1900 and 2100 hours, 22 trucks, each towing a 5.7 cm anti-tank gun and carrying 1 officer and 24 EM; 28 vehicles each carrying 1 officer and 20 EM armed with carbines; and 16 vehicles each towing a 10 cm anti-tank gun and carrying 1 officer and 20 EM, left the barracks in the direction of Potsdam.

The troops remaining in the barracks have since then been confined to barracks and carry out infantry training in section strength in the barrack area.

4. Infanterie Kaserne

- a. Garrison: 250 officers and 2500 EM
- b. Personnel: Troops wore winter uniform with artillery insignia.
- c. Weapons & Equipment:
- (I)
- 32 x 3.7 cm M.39 AA guns
 - 30 x 5.7 cm anti-tank guns
 - 30 x 12 cm mortars
 - 2 M.31 rocket launchers
- (II)
- 120 to 150 vehicles, types: ZIS-5, ZIS-151 and GAZ-63.

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e. Activity:

The following columns moved in the direction of Potsdam:

- 1 February 1800 hours. 16 vehicles, each towing a 5.7 cm anti-tank gun and carrying 1 officer and 24 EM.
- 2 February 1930 hours. 22 load-carrying vehicles, each towing 1 x 5.7 cm anti-tank gun and carrying 1 officer and 24 EM.
- 4 February 12 vehicles, each towing 1 x 12 cm mortar and carrying 1 officer and 20 EM.
- 5 February 1500-1900 hours. 56 vehicles, each carrying 1 officer and an average of 20 EM armed with carbines.
- (Note: The strength figures given in sub-para. (a) and (c) above are only effective before this move took place).

5. Pionier Kaserne

In addition to airforce officers and their families, the barracks are occupied by 80 officers and 800 EM equipped with 30 x 5.7 cm anti-tank guns.

6. Kommandantur

The majority of the officers in the Kommandantur left with the troops who moved in the direction of Potsdam. Their families have remained in the area.

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7. Parties of KVP from Hohenstücken visit the Panzerunterkunft for a week at a time, probably for training on 5.7 cm anti-tank guns.

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